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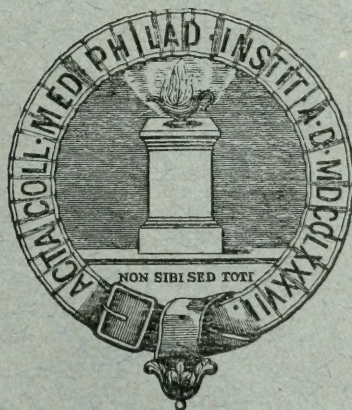
OF THE

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

OF THE

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF PHILADELPHIA

FOR THE YEAR 1905







# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE FOR 1905.

The number of volumes in the Library is . . . 73,750  
(2218 more than at last report)

General Library . . . . .	57,053
Lewis Library . . . . .	13,288
S. D. Gross Library . . . . .	3,192
Obstetrical Society Library . . . . .	217

In addition to these volumes, there are

Unbound "Reports" and "Transactions" . . . . .	8,363
Unbound "Theses" and "Dissertations" . . . . .	19,540
Unbound Pamphlets . . . . .	56,265

Included in the number of volumes there are 1929 duplicates of some of the more important periodical publications retained as reserves to replace books that are worn out by frequent use.

The duplicates have been disposed of by sale or exchange up to June, but 498 have accumulated since and are now on hand. Four hundred and thirty-seven dollars and ninety-seven cents has been received from their sale and we have an exchange account to our credit with the New York Medical Book Company for two hundred and forty-nine dollars.

The Library receives regularly, by purchase or exchange, 478 periodical publications, including "Transactions" and "Reports," 105 American and 375 foreign—38 more than in the previous year:

	American.	Foreign.
Henrietta Rush Fales Baker Fund . . . . .	0	23
William T. Carter Fund . . . . .	0	3
John D. Griscom Fund . . . . .	2	30
S. D. Gross Library . . . . .	0	5
William F. Jenks Fund . . . . .	2	26
Journal Association . . . . .	1	12
Oliver A. Judson Fund . . . . .	0	5
William W. Keen Fund . . . . .	2	12
Library Endowment Fund . . . . .	2	123



	American.	Foreign.
S. Weir Mitchell Fund . . . . .	1	31
Philadelphia Medical Society Fund . . . . .	0	7
Lewis Rodman Fund . . . . .	0	9
John F. Weightman Fund . . . . .	0	4
Caspar Wistar Fund . . . . .	3	7
By Purchase . . . . .	2	16
In Exchange . . . . .	79	59

and also current numbers of 317 periodicals—the gifts of editors and publishers, and the exchanges of the following journals presented to the Library by the Editors:

American Journal of the Medical Sciences.  
 College and Clinical Record.  
 Medical and Surgical Reporter.  
 Medical Council.  
 Monthly Cyclopædia of Practical Medicine.  
 Therapeutic Gazette.  
 University of Pennsylvania Medical Bulletin.

We now exchange publications with the following schools:

University of Berlin.	University of Heidelberg.
“ Bonn.	“ Kiel.
“ Breslau.	“ Königsberg.
“ Erlangen.	“ Leipzig.
“ Göttingen.	“ Marburg.
“ Greifswald.	“ Strassburg.
“ Halle.	“

Faculty of Medicine of Nancy.

“ “ “ “ Rio de Janeiro.  
 “ “ “ “ Toulouse.

One thousand and seven inaugural dissertations have been received.

Of the 745 new books added to the Library, 46 were written or edited by Fellows of the College, and 26 were presented by the following authors:

Dr. A. C. Abbott,	Dr. O. G. T. Kiliani,
Dr. J. M. Batten,	Dr. H. C. Knapp,
Dr. H. G. Beck,	Dr. C. K. Mills,
Dr. H. W. Cattell,	Dr. William Osler,
Dr. S. V. Clevenger,	Dr. Boardman Reed,
Dr. A. C. Croftan,	Dr. G. C. Savage,
Dr. G. M. Edebohls,	Dr. Jay F. Schamberg,

Dr. F. Erben,	Dr. J. Madison Taylor,
Dr. J. M. French,	Dr. James Tyson,
Dr. J. Friedenwald,	Dr. W. M. Welch,
Dr. G. M. Gould,	Dr. William H. Wells,
Dr. H. A. Hare,	Dr. H. E. Wetherill,
Dr. Bayard Holmes,	Dr. Walter Whitehead.
Dr. W. W. Keen,	

Twenty volumes were sent by the publishers at the request of the following authors:

Dr. J. M. Anders,	Dr. S. Weir Mitchell,
Dr. Astley P. C. Ashhurst,	Dr. Walter L. Pyle,
Dr. L. Napoleon Boston,	Dr. J. L. Salinger (translator),
Dr. J. C. Da Costa, Jr.,	Dr. J. Henry C. Simes (translator),
Dr. John B. Deaver,	Dr. H. W. Stelwagon,
Dr. Barton Cooke Hirst,	Dr. James C. Wilson,
Dr. James W. Holland,	Dr. H. C. Wood,
Dr. C. H. La Wall,	Dr. James K. Young.
Dr. Henry Leffmann,	

The "Donors" during the year number 289. Those who presented 25 volumes or more are:

Board of Managers, Episcopal Hospital, Phila. .	1982	volumes
Dr. James V. Ingham . . . . .	548	"
Dr. William B. Atkinson . . . . .	220	"
Dr. S. McC. Hamill . . . . .	150	"
Dr. Hobart Amory Hare . . . . .	111	"
Dr. William S. Wray . . . . .	103	"
Dr. John B. Roberts . . . . .	92	"
Dr. G. C. Harlan . . . . .	82	"
Estate of Mordecai Price, M.D. . . . .	61	"
Dr. A. O. J. Kelly . . . . .	55	"
Bureau of Health, Phila. . . . .	54	"
Dr. Robert N. Willson, Jr. . . . .	30	"
Dr. Elliston J. Morris . . . . .	27	"
Dr. Joseph McFarland . . . . .	26	"
From the Publishing houses of		
P. Blakiston's Son & Co. . . . .	37	"
F. A. Davis Company . . . . .	11	"
Lea Brothers & Company . . . . .	9	"
J. B. Lippincott Company . . . . .	23	"
W. B. Saunders & Company . . . . .	38	"
William Wood & Company . . . . .	1	"

A great number of pamphlets and journals were presented by the following:

O. H. Allis,	S. Weir Mitchell,
Wm. B. Atkinson,	E. J. Morris,
L. Brinkmann,	C. P. Noble,
Burton Chance,	W. H. Noble,
Stricker Coles,	C. A. Oliver,
E. P. Davis,	F. R. Packard,
W. A. N. Dorland,	W. E. Parke,
C. W. Dulles,	J. B. Roberts,
A. A. Eshner,	A. E. Roussel,
H. M. Fisher,	C. E. de M. Sajous,
C. H. Frazier,	P. J. Sartain,
S. McC. Hamill,	G. E. de Schweinitz,
H. A. Hare,	J. Alison Scott,
G. C. Harlan,	J. B. Shober,
C. J. Hatfield,	Wharton Sinkler,
F. P. Henry,	Rachel S. Skidelsky,
W. W. Keen,	J. M. Swan,
A. O. J. Kelly,	J. Gurney Taylor,
H. H. Kynett,	J. J. Taylor,
R. G. Le Conte,	William Thomson,
E. Lindauer,	H. R. Wharton,
Joseph McFarland,	J. William White,
R. P. McReynolds,	J. C. Wilson,
Edward Martin,	A. C. Wood,
A. V. Meigs,	H. C. Wood, Jr.
J. K. Mitchell,	
Bureau of Health of Philadelphia.	
Board of Managers of the Episcopal Hospital, Philadelphia.	
J. B. Lippincott Company.	
Philadelphia Polyclinic.	

The amounts expended for the purchase of books by the various Funds are as follows:

Henrietta Rush Fales Baker Fund, 75 volumes . . .	\$206 33
Luther S. Bent Fund, 17 volumes . . .	30 80
William T. Carter Fund, 87 volumes . . .	171 86
John D. Griscom Fund, 97 volumes . . .	290 28
William F. Jenks Fund, 88 volumes . . .	287 85
Oliver A. Judson Fund, 12 volumes . . .	49 42
Wm. V. and John M. Keating Fund, 20 volumes . . .	59 90



William W. Keen Fund, 112 volumes . . . .	\$346 53
Library Endowment Fund, 159 volumes . . . .	655 82
S. Weir Mitchell Fund, 62 volumes . . . .	199 30
Philadelphia Medical Society Fund, 4 volumes . . . .	58 42
Lewis Rodman Fund, 37 volumes . . . .	152 37
John F. Weightman Fund, 24 volumes . . . .	39 07
Caspar Wistar Fund, 54 volumes . . . .	196 81

## Special Accounts:

Fund for completing files of journals, 200 volumes . .	85 94
Journal Association, 23 volumes . . . . (about)	115 00
New Book Fund, 43 volumes . . . .	110 67
J. Ewing Mears Account, 23 volumes . . . .	72 50
S. D. Gross Library Account, 50 volumes . . . .	135 16

From the George B. Wood Library Fund \$185 has been expended for library supplies, stationery, etc.

One thousand six hundred and thirty-six volumes have been bound.

There have been 6506 visits to the Library recorded. 16,847 volumes have been consulted beside those taken directly from the shelves by Fellows of which no record can be kept. 4826 books have been taken out.

Three thousand eight hundred and seventy-four works and one thousand six hundred and eighteen volumes have been catalogued and nine thousand eight hundred and forty-two cards have been written during the year.

All books and the more important pamphlets received during the year have been catalogued, and the work on old pamphlets bound in volumes is progressing satisfactorily. 29,099 pamphlets have been examined, 14,686 of which have been classified, and 14,413 thrown out as duplicates.

Nineteen thousand eight hundred and twenty-three cards have been revised, typewritten, and indexed during the year.

Formerly the supervision of the Revision of the Catalogue was left to the cataloguer, but since early in 1902 the cataloguing of accessions and the revision have been done under the immediate direction of the Librarian, and it is believed that the work is as accurate as it is possible for it to be. 82,931 cards have been typewritten and are in use. We are proud of our catalogue so far as it has gone, and are most anxious to complete it according to the same high standard. To do this will require about four more years of work and three thousand five hundred dollars. Up to November 1, \$2967 has been expended on the work; \$2190 for salaries, \$675 for three cases and cards, and \$102 for typewriting machine and desk. Of this amount \$1800 was collected by the Committee that the College appointed to obtain subscriptions, and \$1167 was appropriated from the funds of the Library Committee. The Committee are loath to diminish the current income for the purchase of books

to meet this extra expense for permanent betterment, but feel that it would be expedient to appropriate \$500 more for this purpose. The remaining \$3000 of the amount estimated as necessary to complete the revision they hope to obtain by subscriptions, and will ask the College to authorize the Librarian to solicit them.

The Library is in excellent condition, though Fellows who use it will understand how hard it is to keep it so. Books are crowded on the tops of those standing on the shelves, and to keep them free from injury and accessible to readers is, under present conditions, a most difficult task, which may become impossible in the near future. Your Committee would therefore once more express the hope that the time when adequate space for the storing and care of books will be provided may not be much longer delayed.

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